



But now, the *Seed* of the Woman is come, that bruises the Serpents Head, in which *Seed* Christ, all Nations are *Bless*.

And all you who live and walk in this *Seed*, you live in him that bruises the Serpents Head, that *Liar*, *Tempter*, and *Questioner*, yea, and every one by this *Seed* Christ, is renewed up into the Image of God, as *Adam* and *Eve* was in the Beginning: Then you are all in your Habitations of Life and Truth, and the Image of God; and in it you know your Services, that the Lord God Almighty commands you. And you living in this Holy *Seed*, you live over all *Vain* *unruly* *Talkers*, and *vain* *Disputers*, *Men* of *corrupt* *Minds*, which have the Form of Godliness, but deny the Power thereof; all such as live in the *Seed* that bruises the Serpents Head, turn away from such, for their work is to destroy; whose words eat as a *Canker*; who do profess Truth in words, the Form of Godliness, but in their Works, deny the Power thereof, who are to every good work or service *Reprobate*.

And these are the raging Waves of the Sea and Tempests; they are known by their tempestuous Spirit, and its raging, like a raging Wave of the Sea, casting up Mire and Dirt; a Murthering Spirit, like *Cain*, a Gain-saying Spirit, like *Jarab*, and cired from the true Spirit, like *Balaam*: No Rain in their Clouds, no Water in their Wells, nor Fruit on their Trees; twice dead, that is, once dead, and made alive, and dead again; so they cannot grow in the Truth, Light, nor the Spirit of God, nor his Gospel; but such corrupt the Earth, and corrupt Peoples Minds; sowers of *Discord*, *Strife*, and *Contention*; co-workers with the Serpent to beguile the unstable Minds; all such the *Seed* of God reigns over.

And therefore in this Holy *Seed* Christ, all live and walk, and shun such evil Spirits and their Works; and all be established in this *Seed* Christ Jesus, that the Serpentine Spirit, *either*

either by its Strife, Vain-Jangling, Vain-Disputing, or its sowing of Dissension, Tempting and Questioning, nor with feigned, fair, flattering, larding Words may not draw you out of your Habitation of the Seed, Christ Jesus; and the Image of God, and your work and service in it, that God and Christ commands you.

And therefore beware of this Serpentine Spirit, that you may not be deceived, as *Eve* was; and beware of *Dogs* that will bite and devour you; and beware of *Evil-workers*, though they have never such fair words to deceive the Hearts of the simple: Beware of false Prophets, which are inwardly ravened from the Spirit of God, and are become *Wolves*, though they have got the *Sheeps-cloathing*, and the words of Truth, of Christ, and his Apostles, but whose Fruits are *Thorns* and *Thistles*; and the Seed Christ, that discovers all these things, in him live, grow up and walk, and be established.

Beware of the *Leaven* of the *Pharisees*, who make an outward Profession of the Holy Mens Words, but are *Reservers* of the Seed Christ Jesus, in whom all Nations are blest, and despisers of his peaceable Government, of the Increase of which there is no end: and in this blessed Seed the Serpent cannot come, nor none of his Instruments nor Angels, which are Evil Spirits: And all the *Doctors* about Questions and Strife of words, and the vain Janglers & vain perverse Disputers & Contenders, & the Sowers of Strife & Dissension, makers of Debate and Strife, All this is out of the blessed peaceable Seed; let them profess the Truth of all the New and Old Testament in Words, without the Power of God, (that they are turned away from, and therefore they are to be turned away from) the Trumpet of the Lord, his Spirit and Power is blown against them, though they have never such high swelling words of Vanity, and have never so many flattering fair words and good speeches, and trimmed and decked with the *Sheeps-cloathing*, yet they are in the *Wolf-nature*, and *Herbs*.

led from the Lamb and his Nature, and so from the Seed Christ, from whom all the Children of the Kingdom and the Elect are to grow, that are of his Heavenly and Spiritual Generation, and grow up in him as Trees of Righteousness, whose Fruits are unto Holiness, and whose end will be Everlasting Life. And the end of that Spirit and Fruits before-mentioned, that are out of Christ and his peaceable Truth, will be Destruction in the Lake of Fire. And that is the Word of the Lord to you all, therefore be warned what you join to, and what you lay hands on suddenly.

For I remember before we were called Quakers, as I was sitting in an House in Nottinghamshire, (about the Year 1648) the Word of the Lord came to me and said, Those that should come to be convinced with the Light and Spirit of God, and should come so far as Cain to hear God's voice, and as far as Balaam to hear God's voice, and to have some Opening, and to come so far as Corah, Dathan, and Abiram, these should be the Deceivers, and the Troublers of the Church of Christ, and seek to destroy the Faithful, and betray them who formerly had some Experience to talk of, but did not live in the Truth. Yea, many others have since come to pass and fulfilled.

For Christ said to his Disciples, That the False Prophets and the Antichrists (which were inwardly the Ravened Wolves, which the Apostles and Believers should beware of) should come to them, to try them, and had the Sheeps cloathing and outward Profession of Christianity, but inwardly Ravening Wolves to devour them. Now, these were inwardly Ravening from something. And the Apostle John speaks of such as went out from us: It seems, they were once among them, But (saith he) they were not of us, for if they had been of us, they would no doubt have continued with us, but they went out from the true Church, that they might be manifest that they were not all of it. And these were the Antichrists and False Prophets, that Christ said, should come, which John and the Apostles saw were come, and exhorted the Church to beware

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of, and to keep to the **Uction**, which they had from the **Holy One**. And this **Uction** and **Anointing**, as it abides within the **Saints**, the true **Church**, it will teach them all things, and is **Truth**; and by it they shall continue in the **Son** and the **Father**, and so in the **Holy Seed**, **Rock** and **Foundation**, that cannot be shaken.

And the **Apostle** saith, *There were to be a falling away first, before the Man of Sin was revealed; the Son of Perdition, who opposeth and exalteth himself, &c.* And then the **Apostle** saw the **Mystery** of **Iniquity** already work; and his coming is after the working of **Satan**, with all **Deceivableness** and **Unrighteousness** in them that **Perish**, because they receive not the love of the **Truth**, that they might be saved. And such go into strong **Delusions**, that they should believe a **Lie**, and not the **Truth**. And here you may see there is a falling away, before the **Son of Perdition** or **Judas** be revealed; and they that fall away, receive not the love of the **Truth**, that they might be **Saved**; but believe **Lies** that they should be **Damned**. And the **Lord** will consume him with the **Spirit** of his **Mouth**, and will destroy with the **Brightness** of his coming, the **Wicked One** and **Son of Perdition**, that is against the **Righteous**, and is the **Opposer** and **Betrayer** of them.

Therefore all the **Church of Christ** are to stand fast, and be established in him in every good word & work, who are from the beginning chosen for **Salvation** through **Jesus Christ**; & through the **Sanctification** of the **Spirit**, and the belief of the **Truth**, and are called by the **Gospel**, the **Power of God**, to the obtaining of the **Glory** of the **Lord Jesus Christ**, in whom the glorious rest and peace is.

And you may see, how the **Church of Christ** was troubled by such as went out from them, and fell away from **Truth**, and inwardly ravened; some went like unto the **Swine** in the **Mire**, and some like the **Dogs** to the **Vornis**; and some like **Wolves**, that inwardly Ravened, and yet kept the **Sheeps-cloathing**.

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Some went in the Nature of *Cain*, *Satan*, and yet Destroyers of the Righteous; and some went in the Nature or Spirit of *Jannes and Jambres*, that withstood *Moses*; and others in the Nature of *Judas* to Betray; and others in the Nature of *Corah*, *Dathan*, and *Abiram*, to Gainsay and Resist the Truth; and others in the Nature of *Jezebel*.

And this Spirit and Nature troubled the Church in the Old Testament, and troubled the Church in the New Testament, and are troubling the Church of Christ in this Gospel-day, that is come and coming out of the *Apocalypse*. But God's Trumpet, Spirit and Power was and is always sounded against it, that all People may beware of this Evil Spirit and Nature, and keep in the Seed Christ Jesus, that bruises the head of it, in whom you have Love, Rest, Salvation, Quietness and Peace, Hallelujah.

And all dwell in Love, then you dwell in God, who is Love; let that be all your Habitations, which Love edifies the Body of Christ, and builds you up in him, and all strive to excel one another in *Vertue*, in *Patience*, *Courteousness*, *Kindness*, *Tenderness*, *Meekness*, and *Humility*, in *Temperance*, *Purity* and *Chastity*, and whatsoever things are *Decent* and *Comely*, and of good Report, *Honest* and *Lowly*, that follow; for these are the good Fruits of the Spirit of God, and his Heavenly Seed, which Fruits are acceptable to God, and will make you all lovely and comely to him, and unto one another in his Heavenly Seed, in which (as I said before) you are blest, and all Nations are blest; which Seed Christ is your Sanctuary, who destroys the Devil the Destroyer, and is over him, and was before he was, in whom the true Believers live, and have Peace, who Cloaths them with Salvation, and with his Righteousness, the Sanctified's fine Linnen.

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So all walk worthy of the Mercys of God and  
his Blessings from Above, and from Below, to  
the Glory and Praise of God.

Dolston, the 13th of }  
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This you may Read amongst the Children  
of the Light and of the Day.

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And they that dwell not in Love and Charity, are like the  
Sounding Brass, and Tinkling Cymbals; as you may  
Read 1 Cor. 13. 1, 8.

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So all walk worthy of the Mercy of God and  
his Blessings from Above, and from Below, to  
the Glory and Praise of God.

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